

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 83

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of D. Ed Moody of Franklin.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Mr. Moody; and

WHEREAS, Ed Moody was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Moody was part of what many refer to as “the greatest generation”, he served with acumen and alacrity as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army during World War II; he received numerous awards including the Bronze Star and several liberation metals; and

WHEREAS, upon returning to the United States, Ed moved to Franklin with his brother, the late Tom Moody, to start Moody’s Tire Store; and

WHEREAS, starting a business was only one of many contributions Mr. Moody made to the Franklin community; he also served as a member of the Franklin Noon Rotary Club for sixty years; aiding in community service initiatives, all while maintaining a perfect attendance record with the club; and

WHEREAS, his other community involvements include serving as a trustee for Williamson County Hospital, Baptist Hospital, and Baptist Healing and Trust; he was a former member of the board of directors with the Williamson County Chamber of Commerce; he also worked with the board of Belmont University; and not forgetting the youth, Mr. Moody additionally served as a board member with the Boys and Girls Club; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Moody’s hard work and dedication to his community did not go unnoticed, as he was the recipient of the Distinguished Citizen Award from Williamson Christian College; and

WHEREAS, he was an active and devout member of The People's Church, formerly known as First Baptist Church, where he served faithfully for many years as an usher, deacon, and elder emeritus; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Moody was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of sixty-five years, Eileen Mayberry Moody, and was the proud parent of two daughters, Patsy and Rebecca; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Moody will also be sorely missed by his brother, Jack; his sister, Connie; and his grandchildren, along with a host of other family, friends, and loved ones; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ed Moody diligently served his country then came home to serve his community for several decades; his contributions to Williamson County will not be forgotten and the citizens of the region will continue to reflect fondly upon his memory; and

WHEREAS, Ed Moody leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Mr. D. Ed Moody, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Moody.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.